DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

**Medicare
Learning
Network** ®

**Official CMS Information for
Medicare Fee-For-Service Providers**

Medicare Learning Network® Suite of Products and Resources for Inpatient Hospitals

The Medicare Learning Network® (MLN), the brand name for official Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) information for Medicare Fee-For-Service (FFS) providers created this resource to promote consistency of information among Medicare physicians, providers and suppliers. These and other products are listed in the MLN Catalog of Products. Access any product below by clicking on its title.

Suite Component 1: Prospective Payment System (PPS)

CMS uses separate PPSs for reimbursement to acute inpatient hospitals, home health agencies, hospice, hospital outpatient, inpatient psychiatric facilities, inpatient rehabilitation facilities, long-term care hospitals and skilled nursing facilities. These products are designed to provide Medicare Part A providers with an understanding of the various PPS rates and classification criterion. **Visit the March 2011 MLN Catalog of Products.**

1. Hospice Payment System
2. Long Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System (LTCH PPS)
   a. News
   b. Short-Stay Outliers
   c. Interrupted Stay
   d. Payment Adjustment Policy
   e. High Cost Outliers
3. Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Prospective Payment System (IPF PPS)
4. Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Prospective Payment System (IRF PPS)
5. Acute Care Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS)
6. End-Stage Renal Disease Prospective Payment System
7. End-Stage Renal Disease Composite Payment Rate System

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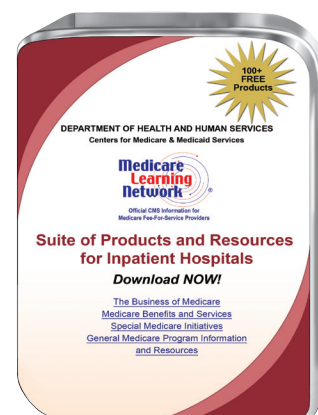
Suite Component 2: Electronic Health Records Incentive Program Products for Eligible Hospitals

The Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act, or the "HITECH Act" established programs under Medicare and Medicaid to provide incentive payments to eligible professionals and eligible hospitals as they adopt, implement, upgrade or demonstrate meaningful use of certified EHR technology.

1. EHR Incentive Program for Critical Access Hospitals
2. EHR Incentive Program for Medicare Hospitals

Suite Component 3: Inpatient Hospital Billing: What is Covered, How to Code, How to Submit Claims

1. Medicare Matters Article #SE1027 - Recovery Audit Contractor (RAC) Demonstration High-Risk Medical Necessity Vulnerabilities for Inpatient Hospitals
2. Medicare Matters Article #SE1028 - Recovery Audit Contractor (RAC) Demonstration High-Risk Diagnosis Related Group (DRG) Coding Vulnerabilities for Inpatient Hospitals
3. How to Use the National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) Tools
4. Diagnosis Coding: Using the ICD-9-CM*
5. Present on Admission (POA) Indicator Reporting
6. Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP)
7. UB-04 Overview
8. Uniform Billing (UB-04)*
9. Hospital Acquired Conditions (HAC)
10. Electronic Data Interchange (EDI)
    a. HIPAA EDI Standards*
    b. New Health Care Electronic Transactions Standards Versions 5010, D.O., and 3.0
    c. Preparing for Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Standards: The Transition to Versions 5010 and D.O.
    d. Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Standards: Transition to Versions 5010 and D.O. (Checklist for Level I Testing Activities)
    e. Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Standards: Transition to Versions 5010 and D.O., (Provider Action Checklist for a Smooth Transition)
11. Skilled Nursing Facility Consolidated Billing (SNF CB)*
12. Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Spell of Illness Quick Reference Chart

*A Web-Based Training Course
Go to http://www.cms.gov/MLNProducts/03_WebBased Training.asp

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Suite Component 4: Rural Health

1. Medicare Billing Information for Rural Providers, Suppliers and Physicians
2. Critical Access Hospital (CAH) Program
3. Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC)
4. Medicare Dependent Hospital (MDH)
5. Medicare Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH)
6. Rural Health Clinic (RHC)
7. Sole Community Hospital (SCH)
8. Swing Bed
9. Telehealth Services
10. Rural Referral Center

Suite Component 5: After Payment: Remittance Advice, Claims Review and Appeals

1. Understanding the Remittance Advice for Professional Providers*
2. Medicare Claim Review Programs: MR, NCCI Edits, MUEs, CERT, and RAC
3. Medicare Remit Easy Print (MREP)

Suite Component 6: Other Helpful Information for Inpatient Hospital Providers

1. MLN Guided Pathways to Medicare Resources – Intermediate Curriculum For Health Care Providers
2. Visit the Guided Pathways 'One-Stop Shopping' Page at http://www.cms.gov/MLNEdWebGuide/30_Guided_Pathways.asp
3. The Basics of Medicare Enrollment for Institutional Providers
4. Medicare Fraud and Abuse*
5. The National Provider Identifier (NPI): What You Need to Know
6. CMS E-Mail Subscription Service
7. Medicare Resident, Practicing Physician and Other Health Care Professional Training Facilitator's Kit

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